 HIGHLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Highley Parish Council Meeting held in the library of The Severn Centre on Tuesday 7th January 2025 at 7pm**

**Present:** Cllr T. Quinn (Chair) T. Pinches (Vice-Chair), L. Hodnett, C. Stanley, A. Edwards, P. Vinall, A. Rodgers, D. Thakrar, D. Schnelting, S. Bunn, E. Aspin.

**Clerk:** Alison Palmer

**County Councillor:** Mark Williams

**01.Apologies for Absence**

J. Marshall, A. Hancox, H. Hancox, J. Law.

It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** these apologies.

**02.Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Rodgers declared a pecuniary interest – members were reminded that they are to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest or other registerable interest.

**03. Parishioners Question Time**

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

**04. Minutes**

It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** the minutes of the meeting of Highley Parish Council held on Tuesday 3rd December 2024 as a true record. It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** these minutes as a true record.

**05. Clerks Update**

Members received the report prior to the meeting.

**06. Anti-social behaviour item**

Cllr Quinn explained the plans to support a multi-agency approach moving forward to tackle any ASB and support the Severn Centre, Medical staff and Police with the first meeting being held next week.

Action: Clerk to investigate and share local byelaw information.

**07.Correspondence**

1. Road Closure Halfway House Lane, Eardington 7th February 2025

2. Severn Trent Watermain Works from 6th January for three-four weeks

3. Road Closure – Wast Castle St – 13th – 17th January 2025

4. Postcard from Holly in Brisbane

5. Economic Benefits of Cycling Tourism

6. Highley Reach – Youth Club report Autumn 2024

7. SALC Training Programme 2025

8. Shropshire Lieutenancy Christmas Letter.

9. Road Closure Bynd Lane 20th-24th January 2025

10. Highley Outdoor Community Space Project public meeting 30/1/25

**08. Approval of Precept**

It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** the precept

**09.Brief Reports from working groups/committees**

There were no reports.

**10. Members are asked to consider the next plan of action regarding the works required and lack of movement by the Co-Op.**

It was agreed that legally the carpark needs to be safe, and it currently is not.

Action: Clerk to report to Shropshire Council that the Co-Op is not meeting original planning conditions as the car park has disabled parking, which is not clearly marked, and the hole in the middle is a threat to public safety. CC Mark Williams planning enforcement to be copied into correspondence. It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** this course of action.

**11. Members are asked to approve account open with CCLA** following research and approval from R&R and transfer precept with approved signatories A. Palmer (RFO/Clerk) T. Quinn (Chair) T. Pinches (Vice-Chair) It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** to pay the precept to a new account with CCLA and then transfer requirements to Lloyds Interest account as necessary.

**12. Planning applications received- plus any further applications after issue of Agenda.**

24/04712/VAR Mr Sidney Davies Whitehouse Farm Barn, Netherton lane

Removal of Condition No. 9 (permitted development) pursuant to application reference BR/APP/FUL/08/0107

It was **RESOLVED to** **OBJECT** based upon the historical documentation “Planning Permission” produced by Bridgnorth District Council dated April 2008.

24/04869/TCA Mid Counties Co-Op, Highley

It was **RESOLVED to** **OBJECT** due to being within the conservation area of the village.

[Councillor Rodgers left the room]

24/04579/FUL Mr & Mrs Rodgers, Oaklands, Bridgnorth Road, Highley.

Formation of new access and parking area

It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** the application with **NO OBJECTION.**

24/04560/OUT Mr & Mrs Rodgers, Land east of Cockshutt Lane, Highley.

Proposed residential development of 2 x two-bedroom bungalows.

It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** the application with **NO OBJECTION.**

It was therefore **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** all recommendations of the planning committee.

**13. External Reports**

Members are asked to consider the following reports shared prior to the meeting:

1. **Shropshire Councillor Mark Williams** –

Councillor Williamswas thanked for his detailed report.

1. **Policing report –**

Councillor Rodgers has made a response direct to SNT.

**14. Finance**

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| HMRC  | 153 | Tax & Ni | £895.52 |
| Lightwire  | 154 | Christmas Light Installation | £2,052.00 |
| Severn centre | 155 | Youth Club x3 (Dec) | £144.00 |
| Severn Centre | 156 | Meeting Room | £74.40 |
| Severn centre |  | Office – December  | PAID Inv 1082 (ref134) |
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| Lebara Sim and Credit | 157 | New Phone SIM | £5 |
| Alison Palmer | 158 | Salary 31/1/2025 | As agreed. |

**For approval but awaiting invoice or works before payment:**

Hagg Corner Allotment outstanding tree work (approved by R&R) £350.00

Silverdale Allotment two replacement gates to secure site (approved by R&R) 472.30)

It was **RESOLVED to ACCEPT** to pay these invoices.

Signed:

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